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Kiyoshi GOTO, et al.

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COMPOSITION CONTAINING GROUND LOTUS AND/OR LOTUS EXTRACT AND

LACTIC ACID BACTERIUM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

January 18, 2006

Sir:

Prior to examination and calculation of the filing fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.